

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-40. (Canceled)

41. (Previously Presented) A wallet for use with a personal information device, the wallet comprising:

a first portion having an input device;
a second portion coupled to the first portion to receive, detachably retain, and interface with a personal information device; and
a power source to provide electricity to the wallet; wherein the wallet conserves the power source by being turned on in response to a wake signal from the personal information device.

42. (Previously Presented) The wallet of claim 41, wherein the personal information device comprises a PCMCIA card.

43. (Previously Presented) The wallet of claim 41, wherein the personal information device comprises a personal digital assistant.

44. (Previously Presented) The wallet of claim 41, wherein the second portion includes an induction coil adapted to interface without electrical contact with

said personal information device when retained by said wallet, the wake signal being communicated to the wallet using the induction coil.

45. (Previously Presented) The wallet of claim 41, wherein the wallet turns off if it does not receive a stay awake signal from the wallet for a predetermined period of time.

46. (Previously Presented) The wallet of claim 41, wherein the power source comprises a battery.

47. (Previously Presented) A method performed by a wallet having a power source and detachably retaining a personal information device, the method comprising:

receiving a wake signal from the personal information device; and
turning the wallet on in response to the wake signal by providing electricity to wallet components from the power source.

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47, further comprising:
turning the wallet off in response to not receiving a stay awake signal from the personal information device for a predetermined period of time by powering down the wallet components.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47, wherein the wake signal is received by the wallet using an induction coil interface.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47, wherein the wallet comprises a PCMCIA card.

51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47, wherein the power source comprises a battery.

52. (Previously Presented) A machine-readable medium containing data representing instructions that, when performed by processor of a wallet having a power source and detachably retaining a personal information device, cause the processor to perform operations comprising:

receiving a wake signal from the personal information device; and
turning the wallet on in response to the wake signal by providing electricity to wallet components from the power source.

53. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 52, wherein the instructions further cause the processor to perform operations comprising:

turning the wallet off in response to not receiving a stay awake signal from the personal information device for a predetermined period of time by powering down the wallet components.

54. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 52, wherein the wake signal is received by the wallet using an induction coil interface.

55. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 52, wherein the wallet comprises a PCMCIA card.

56. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 52, wherein the power source comprises a battery.